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C O N F I D E N T I A L NAIROBI 7641

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, KE, UG

SUBJECT: GOK VIEWS ON PROBLEMS WITH UGANDA

1. MOFA PERMSEC KIBINGE PROVIDED ME WITH TEXT (REPORTED SEPTTEL) AND COMMENTS ON AMIN'S LETTER OF JULY 20, 1976, TO PRESIDENT KENYATTA. COPIES OF LETTER WERE ALSO SENT TO PRESIDENT NYERERE, OAU CHAIRMAN, OAU SECRETARY GENERAL, UN SECRETARY GENERAL; AND CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF NONALIGNED COUNTRIES, IN ALGIERS. KIBINGE INFORMED ME THAT PRESIDENT KENYATTA DOES NOT INTEND TO REPLY TO AMIN'S LETTER. LETTER WAS RELEASED FOR PUBLICATION TO LOCAL PRESS. KIBINGE COMMENTED THAT THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE USG IN HAVING P-3S, FRIGATES AND TASK FORCE IN INDIAN OCEAN ON "ROUTINE VISIT" HAS PLAYED SIGNIFICANT PSYCHOLOGICAL ROLE IN DETERRING AMIN FROM MILITARY ACTION AGAINST KENYA.

2. ALTHOUGH THE NEWSPAPER, NATION, HAS FOR PAST TWO DAYS CARRIED FRONTPAGE REPORTING MUTINY IN UGANDA ARMY, KIBINGE STATED GOK HAS ABSOLUTELY NO CONFIRMATION OF SUCH. KIBINGE SEES SITUATION AS STILL TENSE, NOT ONLY REGARDING THREAT FROM UGANDA BUT POSSIBLY PALESTINIANS. A STRANGE CALL FROM UGANDA WAS RECEIVED BY MOFA YESTERDAY

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(JULY 21), CALLER BELIEVED TO BE UGANDA, WHO LEFT

MESSAGE FOR WAIYAKI INFERRING THAT SITUATION HAS NOT CHANGED AND THAT "NUTS ARE SCREWED TIGHT." KIBINGE SAID THIS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL CALLS, AND GOK FRANKLY BAFFLED AS TO WHETHER TO INTERPRET TO MEAN ACTION BEING TAKEN AGAINST AMIN IN UGANDA, OR ACTION TO BE TAKEN AGAINST KENYA.

3. GOK HAS TAKEN MEASURES TO REASSURE SUDAN, ZAMBIA AND RWANDA OF ITS GOOD INTENTIONS. KENYATTA CALLED IN AMBASSADORS OF THESE COUNTRIES JULY 21 AND INFORMED THEM THAT KENYA HAS NO WISH TO STOP OIL SUPPLY TO THEM (WHICH PASSES THROUGH UGANDA) AND THAT KENYA WOULD ENCOURAGE THESE GOVERNMENTS TO PROVIDE OWN TRANSPORT TO KENYAN BORDER WITH UGANDA TO COLLECT PETROL. KIBINGE ADDED THAT GOK WOULD LIKE TO SEE GOS, GOR AND GOZ APPROACH AMIN AT EITHER FOREIGN MINISTER OR HEAD OF STATE LEVEL TO ALLEVIATE SITUATION BUT THAT IN NO WAY DOES GOK SEE ANY NEED FOR MEDIATION ("THERE IS NOTHING TO MEDIATE) BETWEEN UGANDA AND KENYA.

4. KIBINGE INFORMED ME FUNDS DUE KENYAN INDIVIDUALS, COMPANIES AND GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS BEING WITHHELD IN UGANDA. GOK CANNOT DISREGARD THIS DEBT IN CONSIDERING PRESENT SITUATION, AND HAS "PUT THE BRAKES ON" OIL DELIVERIES ON BASIS OF DEBT OWED. THESE FIGURES DO NOT INCLUDE COMMUNITY FIGURES (HARBORS, RAILROAD, ETC) OR FUNDS TO INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS:

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